

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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> RE: MUR 4378 Montanans for Rehberg

Dear Ms. Rehberg:

It is with a sincere apology for the delay that I am writing to inform you that the Commission, on June 22, 1999, failed by votes of 2-3 with one abstention and of 3-3 to pass motions to find probable cause to believe that the National Republican Senatorial Committee had violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(h) and § 434b. The Commission then closed the file. The matter is on the public record. Because no votes were taken in this matter as to your client, you were not informed as you should have been of the matter's closure.

For your information, I am enclosing copies of the two Statements of Reasons signed by Commissioners on August 10 and October 28, 1999 in this matter. If there are any other documents which you would like to see, please let me know.

Again, I do apologize for the oversight.

Sincerely,

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And Williams

Senior Attorno

Enclosures